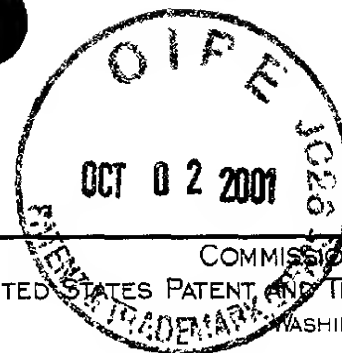




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- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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**BOX: MISSING PART**

Sir:

The above-noted application was filed on July 12, 2001 via Express Mail. As a result of the original, executed Declaration document not being attached to said application, a Notice to File Missing Parts -- Filing Date Granted issued.

In response to the aforementioned Notice, please find enclosed herewith the following:

- a. The original Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application, executed by the inventors, Neville David Seagar and Alex David Salisbury.
- b. A copy of the aforementioned Notice to File Missing Parts of Application -- Filing Date Granted.

The title on the specification incorrectly read "PERFORATION OF LAUNDRY MACHINE" and should have specified "PERFORATION OF LAUNDRY MACHINE DRUM." A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted today to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 20-1495 for \$130.00 and any amount necessary to cover any additional costs associated with this Response or to credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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